

INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SITUATION REPORT
SUNDAY, JULY 11, 2004 – 0800 MDT
NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS LEVEL 3

CURRENT SITUATION:

Initial attack activity was light nationally with 110 fires reported. Two new large fires were reported, one each in the Alaska and Rocky Mountain Areas. One large fire was contained in the Eastern Great Basin Area. Very high to extreme fire indices were reported in Alaska, Arizona, California, Colorado, Idaho, Nevada, New Mexico, Oklahoma, South Dakota, Texas, Utah and Wyoming.

ALASKA AREA LARGE FIRES:

EVANSVILLE, Tanana Zone, Bureau of Land Management. This fire is one half mile southeast of Bettles, AK in black spruce. Active fire behavior with moderate rates of spread was reported. Crews initiated burnout operations to protect native allotments and the town of Bettles.

BOUNDARY, Fairbanks Area Forestry, Alaska Division of Forestry. A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Hart) is assigned. This fire is 20 miles northeast of Fairbanks, AK in alpine tundra and black spruce. Precipitation moderated fire activity. Crews prepared fireline for potential burnout operations. Structure protection is in place for historically significant structures.

WOLF CREEK, Upper Yukon Zone, Bureau of Land Management. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Chrisman) is assigned. This fire is 60 miles northeast of Fairbanks, AK in black spruce and hardwoods. Fire behavior was minimal. Crews continued to provide structure protection in the Chena River localities.

TAYLOR COMPLEX, Tok Area Forestry, Alaska Division of Forestry. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Kurth) is assigned. This complex, comprised of the Wall Street, Billy Creek, Gardiner Creek, Big Creek, Anomaly, Chicken and Porcupine fires, is 35 miles northwest of Tok, AK in black spruce and tundra. Occasional torching and short crown runs occurred in areas with windy conditions.

LOWER MOUTH, Upper Yukon Zone, Bureau of Land Management. This fire is located 12 miles northwest of the village of Birch Creek, AK in white spruce, black spruce, birch and aspen. Winds resulted in very active fire behavior.

CAMP CREEK, Delta Area Forestry, Alaska Division of Forestry. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Stegmier) is assigned. This fire is 23 miles northwest of Delta Junction, AK in tundra and spruce. Trace precipitation was received which moderated fire behavior. Crews continue to provide structure protection.

EAGLE COMPLEX, Upper Yukon Zone, Bureau of Land Management. A Fire Use Management Team (Cones) is assigned. This complex, consisting of the American Summit, Edwards Creek, King Creek, Kandik River, Indian Grave Creek, Deer Creek and seven additional fires, is located three miles northeast of Eagle, AK in tundra, black spruce and mixed hardwoods. Interior burning, active flanking and backing were observed under windy conditions. The Deer Creek fire received some brief, heavy, precipitation which moderated fire behavior. Reduction in acreage is due to more accurate mapping.

SOLSTICE COMPLEX, Upper Yukon Zone, Bureau of Land Management. A Fire Use Management Team (Bird) is assigned. This incident is 57 miles northwest of Fort Yukon, AK in black spruce and tundra. The complex consists of the Pingo, Winter Trail, Sucker River, Black Currant River, Vundik Lake, Boulder Creek and Sheenjek fires. The Pingo fire reported flare ups and crown runs.

WALDRON CREEK, Upper Yukon Zone, Bureau of Land Management. This fire is ten miles east of Stevens Village, AK in black spruce and tundra. No further information was received.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
EVANSVILLE	AK	TAD	6,500	10	UNK	146	6	0	2	0	NR
BOUNDARY	AK	FAS	338,600	20	UNK	561	17	19	6	11	4.3M
WOLF CREEK	AK	UYD	187,000	10	UNK	239	11	6	1	7	1.1M
TAYLOR COMPLEX	AK	TAS	566,885	NR	8/1	125	1	9	2	3	1.5M
LOWER MOUTH	AK	UYD	1,000	NR	UNK	26	1	0	0	0	NR
CAMP CREEK	AK	DAS	132,422	67	7/31	153	3	0	3	3	837K
EAGLE COMPLEX	AK	UYD	465,686	NR	UNK	152	4	2	1	0	1.2M
SOLSTICE COMPLEX	AK	UYD	390,295	5	UNK	372	15	0	6	1	6.6M
WALDRON CREEK	AK	UYD	350	0	UNK	46	1	0	0	0	NR

SOUTHWEST AREA LARGE FIRES:

NUTTALL COMPLEX, Coronado National Forest. A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Oltrogge) is assigned. This complex, located 15 miles southwest of Safford, AZ in brush and heavy timber, consists of the Nuttall and Gibson fires. Observed fire behavior included backing fire with occasional single tree torching. Moderate precipitation was received over portions of the fires.

WILLOW, Tonto National Forest. A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Whitney) is assigned. This fire is six miles southwest of Payson, AZ in timber, grass and chaparral. Smoldering and isolated interior torching was reported. Crews made good progress constructing fireline and hot spotting with assistance from helicopters.

JACKET, Coconino National Forest. This fire is 13 miles southeast of Winona, AZ in grass, juniper and pinyon pine. Minimal fire activity with interior flare ups was observed.

PONDEROSA, Tonto National Forest. This fire is 15 miles east of Payson, AZ in ponderosa pine. Minimal fire behavior was reported. No new information was reported.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
NUTTALL COMPLEX	AZ	CNF	29,000	55	UNK	796	19	23	9	1	8.0M
WILLOW	AZ	TNF	119,500	70	UNK	696	13	45	7	1	9.0M
JACKET	AZ	COF	17,053	75	7/21	70	2	1	0	1	278K
PONDEROSA	AZ	TNF	140	95	UNK	73	3	2	0	1	200K

NORTHWEST AREA LARGE FIRES:

POT PEAK, Okanogan/Wenatchee National Forest. A Type 1 Incident Management Team (Lohrey) is assigned. This fire is 15 miles northwest of Chelan, WA in timber. Active burning of interior islands of fuel continued. Crews completed burnout operations and have begun rehabilitation of fireline.

FREEZEOUT, Okanogan/Wenatchee National Forest. A transfer of command from a Fire Use Management Team (Cook) to a Type 3 organization will occur at 0600 MDT. This fire is 65 miles northeast of Bellingham, WA in timber. Cooler temperatures and higher relative humidity resulted in minimal fire behavior.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
POT PEAK	WA	OWF	8,600	55	UNK	789	19	23	10	0	7.1M
FREEZEOUT	WA	OWF	150	17	UNK	21	0	0	1	0	383K

ROCKY MOUNTAIN AREA LARGE FIRES:

SADDLE MOUNTAIN, Delta County. A Type 2 Incident Management Team (Mullenix) has been ordered. This fire is five miles east of Crawford, CO in Douglas fir, oak brush, aspen and pinyon pine. Steep rocky slopes, inaccessible terrain and rock slides are major concerns. Active fire behavior with individual tree torching was reported.

WEST FORK CREEK, Campbell County. This fire is 30 miles southeast of Wright, WY in ponderosa pine, juniper and sagebrush. Active fire behavior with running and torching was observed. Crews are constructing fireline in preparation for burnout operations.

OIL SPRINGS, White River Field Office, Bureau of Land Management. A Fire Use Management Team (Weldon) will assume command today. This lightning-caused Wildland Fire Use (WFU) incident is being managed to accomplish resource objectives. The fire is 27 miles south of Rangely, CO in pinyon pine, juniper, sagebrush and grass. Light precipitation and higher relative humidity moderated fire behavior.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
SADDLE MOUNTAIN	CO	DTX	400	20	UNK	137	4	3	3	0	491K
WEST FORK CREEK	WY	CPX	200	UNK	UNK	35	2	6	0	0	NR
OIL SPRINGS – WFU	CO	WRD	1,085	N/A	N/A	28	0	2	1	0	20K
SPRING CREEK – WFU	CO	SJF	335	N/A	N/A	28	1	2	0	0	20K

WESTERN GREAT BASIN AREA LARGE FIRES:

CHROME, Ely Field Office, Bureau of Land Management. This fire is 45 miles northwest of Ely, NV in pinyon pine, juniper, sagebrush and grass. High winds, low relative humidity and steep slopes are major concerns. Extreme, wind-driven fire behavior was observed.

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
CHROME	NV	ELD	5,000	50	7/12	318	11	1	3	0	NR

EASTERN GREAT BASIN AREA LARGE FIRES:

INCIDENT NAME	ST	UNIT	SIZE	% CTN	EST CTN	TOTL PERS	CRW	ENG	HELI	STRC LOST	\$\$\$ CTD
VANCE	UT	CCD	502	100	---	0	0	0	0	0	NR

CCD = Cedar City Field Office, Bureau of Land Management

OUTLOOK:

Weather Discussion: Building high pressure is bringing warmer temperatures to much of the West. Monsoon moisture continues over the Southwest and Rocky Mountains with a generally dry south to west flow elsewhere. In Alaska, warmer and drier weather is on tap for most areas as high pressure strengthens over the region.

Geographic Area Weather	High Temperatures	Minimum Relative Humidity	Wind
ALASKA AREA Central and Eastern Interior: Partly cloudy to mostly sunny. A chance of thunderstorms in the east in the afternoon.	Central and Eastern Interior: 68 to 80.	Central and Eastern Interior: 25 to 40%.	Central and Eastern Interior: Southwest 10 to 15 mph.
SOUTHWEST AREA Partly cloudy. Isolated to widely scattered thunderstorms eastern AZ, western NM and far southwest TX.	Upper 60s to 80s mountains. Mostly 90s lower elevations. 100 to 115 southern AZ deserts.	5 to 20% AZ. 15 to 30% NM. 20 to 35% west TX.	Southwest to west 5 to 15 mph with higher gusts AZ and northwest NM. South to southeast 10 to 25 mph remainder of NM and west TX.
NORTHWEST AREA West Side: Morning overcast but clearing back to the coast. East Side: Mostly sunny.	West Side: 60s and 70s western WA. 80s in southwest OR. East Side: 70s to 80s eastern WA. Near 90 southeastern OR.	West of Cascades: 40 to 60% western WA and northwest OR. Near 25% southwest OR. East of Cascades: 20 to 30% eastern WA. 15 to 25% eastern OR.	West Side: Northwest to west winds, generally west, at 5 to 10 mph but stronger along the coastal strip. East Side: Generally northwest to north 5 to 10 mph except stronger through the Columbia Gorge.

<p>ROCKY MOUNTAIN AREA Isolated afternoon dry/wet thunderstorms over southwestern and northeast CO. Isolated dry thunderstorms over the Black Hills of SD.</p>	<p>Highs in the 90s. 70s and 80s mountains.</p>	<p>25 to 45% eastern plains and higher elevations. 10 to 22% elsewhere.</p>	<p>Southern winds 8 to 20 mph in eastern plains with 5 to 18 mph elsewhere.</p>
<p>WESTERN GREAT BASIN AREA Sunny skies with breezy afternoon winds.</p>	<p>North: 85 to 97. South: 92 to 102. Mountains: 75 to 89.</p>	<p>North Valleys: 10 to 20%. South Valleys: 9 to 18%. Mountains: 15 to 26%.</p>	<p>North: Southwest at 10 to 20 mph with localized gusts 25 to 30 mph. South: South to southwest at 10 to 15 mph.</p>
<p>EASTERN GREAT BASIN AREA Idaho, Bridger-Teton: Mostly sunny to partly cloudy. Scattered afternoon thunderstorms western WY. Utah, Arizona Strip: Mostly sunny. Isolated dry thunderstorms over the mountains.</p>	<p>Idaho, Bridger-Teton: 62 to 80 mountains. 80 to 92 valleys. Utah and Arizona Strip: 75 to 88 mountains. 85 to 104 valleys. 102 to 114 Lake Meade area.</p>	<p>Idaho, Bridger-Teton: 19 to 33% mountains. 13 to 22% valleys. Utah, Arizona Strip: 10 to 23% mountains. 5 to 15% valleys.</p>	<p>Idaho, Bridger-Teton: North to northwest 5 to 15 western ID. Southwest 10 to 15 eastern ID and western WY with gusts to 35 mph on Bridger-Teton. Utah, Arizona Strip: Southwest 10 to 20 mph.</p>
<p>NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA Mostly clear except for night and morning coastal low clouds and fog.</p>	<p>60s to low 70s coast. 70s to low 80s higher elevations. Mid 90s inland valleys.</p>	<p>13 to 23% East Side. 17 to 32% remainder of inland valleys.</p>	<p>Southeast to southwest 5 to 15 mph with afternoon gusts to 25 mph east of the Cascade-Sierra crest.</p>
<p>SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA Areas of morning low clouds and fog coastal areas, otherwise mostly sunny.</p>	<p>70 to 80 coastal areas. 80 to 95 mountains. 90 to 100 valleys. 90 to 100 upper deserts. 100 to 110 lower deserts.</p>	<p>15 to 30% valleys. 10 to 20% mountains. 8 to 15% deserts.</p>	<p>Southeast to southwest 10 to 20 mph.</p>



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TOPIC OF CHOICE

FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	1	0	0		6		7
	ACRES	100	54,343	10,598		51,436		116,477
Northwest	FIRES	1				1	2	4
	ACRES	0				3	0	3
Northern California	FIRES					14	5	19
	ACRES					69	0	69
Southern California	FIRES	1	3		1	8	6	19
	ACRES	6	0		0	0	4	10
Northern Rockies	FIRES	3			1		4	8
	ACRES	1			3		0	4
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	1	1			5	1	8
	ACRES	0	10			6	0	16
Western Great Basin	FIRES		1					1
	ACRES		818					818
Southwest	FIRES	2	2			11	18	33
	ACRES	0	0			11	3	14
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		2			6	3	11
	ACRES		25			252	0	277
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
TOTAL	FIRES	9	9	0	2	51	39	110
	ACRES	107	55,196	10,598	3	51,777	7	117,688

FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES	5	36	54	18	260	7	380
	ACRES	165	696,498	266,505	21,204	1,320,835	1	2,305,208
Northwest	FIRES	201	94	19	10	711	304	1,339
	ACRES	5,714	1,982	75	16	6,557	3,307	17,651
Northern California	FIRES	60	28	6	18	1,365	543	2,020
	ACRES	70	417	15	2	4,409	1,786	6,699
Southern California	FIRES	33	52	16	33	1,630	344	2,108
	ACRES	663	4,379	395	24	36,184	4,765	46,410
Northern Rockies	FIRES	786	26	14	11	422	225	1,484
	ACRES	4,163	255	485	3	8,691	3,368	16,965
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	12	290	2	20	189	215	728
	ACRES	33	23,611	1	33	2,613	588	26,879
Western Great Basin	FIRES	5	247	1	4	39	44	340
	ACRES	151	15,189	1,054	0	1,155	496	18,045
Southwest	FIRES	542	68	2	39	515	617	1,783
	ACRES	5,146	4,527	1	509	6,066	271,511	287,760
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	173	181	30	11	237	197	829
	ACRES	3,613	3,480	1,167	9	20,030	4,111	32,410
Eastern Area	FIRES	489		46	23	6,059	408	7,025
	ACRES	5,094		2,335	108	54,133	5,543	67,213
Southern Area	FIRES	120		48	36	22,318	547	23,069
	ACRES	15,606		4,683	1,054	278,949	73,117	373,409
TOTAL	FIRES	2,426	1,022	238	223	33,745	3,451	41,105
	ACRES	40,418	750,338	276,716	22,962	1,739,622	368,593	3,198,649

Ten Year Average Fires	45,908
Ten Year Average Acres	1,730,895

*** Changes in some agency YTD acres reflect more accurate mapping or reporting adjustments. ***

PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YESTERDAY:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern California	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Northern Rockies	FIRES						0	0
	ACRES						1	1
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Western Great Basin	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southwest	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Rocky Mountain	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES						1	1
	ACRES						1,000	1,000
TOTAL	FIRES	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
	ACRES	0	0	0	0	0	1,001	1,001

PRESCRIBED FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES					5		5
	ACRES					2,097		2,097
Northwest	FIRES	38	78	43	1		255	415
	ACRES	7,626	6,823	3,781	30		58,229	76,489
Northern California	FIRES	14	39	10	17		183	263
	ACRES	251	731	13,566	2,690		22,617	39,855
Southern California	FIRES		4	10	10		76	100
	ACRES		28	922	718		6,213	7,881
Northern Rockies	FIRES	37	8	74	3	45	352	519
	ACRES	1,885	2,631	12,502	1,046	3,066	42,382	63,512
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES	1	16	3	3	17	43	83
	ACRES	149	2,335	547	1,102	1,490	14,008	19,631
Western Great Basin	FIRES		4	5			5	14
	ACRES		80	541			971	1,592
Southwest	FIRES	14	13	7	10		277	321
	ACRES	2,796	4,821	12,769	7,777		66,146	94,309
Rocky Mountain	FIRES	42	39	123	18	12	113	347
	ACRES	5,117	11,851	20,855	12,964	3,947	45,672	100,406
Eastern Area	FIRES	20		351	23	612	178	1,184
	ACRES	14,454		39,938	4,443	59,439	27,876	146,150
Southern Area	FIRES	51		139	69	391	1,074	1,724
	ACRES	8,503		58,470	59,702	210,375	967,221	1,304,271
TOTAL	FIRES	217	201	765	154	1,082	2,556	4,975
	ACRES	40,781	29,300	163,891	90,472	280,414	1,251,335	1,856,193

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WFU FIRES AND ACRES YEAR-TO-DATE:

AREA		BIA	BLM	FWS	NPS	ST/OT	USFS	TOTAL
Alaska	FIRES				2			2
	ACRES				52,222			52,222
Northwest	FIRES				2		1	3
	ACRES				1		150	151
Northern California	FIRES						3	3
	ACRES						0	0
Southern California	FIRES				2		2	4
	ACRES				0		222	222
Northern Rockies	FIRES				6		18	24
	ACRES				0		0	0
Eastern Great Basin	FIRES						4	4
	ACRES						0	0
Western Great Basin	FIRES		4					4
	ACRES		342					342
Southwest	FIRES				1		8	9
	ACRES				101		7,231	7,332
Rocky Mountain	FIRES		6			0	1	7
	ACRES		6,715			2,271	354	9,340
Eastern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
Southern Area	FIRES							0
	ACRES							0
TOTAL	FIRES	0	10	0	13	0	37	60
	ACRES	0	7,057	0	52,324	2,271	7,957	69,609

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CANADA FIRES AND HECTARES:

PROVINCES	FIRES YESTERDAY	HECTARES YESTERDAY	FIRES YEAR-TO-DATE	HECTARES YEAR-TO-DATE
British Columbia	3	0	1,071	144,056
Yukon Territory	2	200,403	184	799,445
Alberta	11	7	892	3,248
Northwest Territory	13	4,062	85	19,248
Saskatchewan	2	0	144	39,407
Manitoba	1	0	92	424
Ontario	0	0	182	1,377
Quebec	0	0	194	589
Newfoundland	0	0	104	8,333
New Brunswick	0	0	215	318
Nova Scotia	0	0	200	211
Prince Edward Island	0	0	16	14
National Parks	2	2,001	27	44,277
Total	34	206,473	3,406	1,060,945

RESOURCES STATUS: COMMITTED RESOURCES

AREA	CREWS FED	CREWS ST/OT	ENGS FED	ENGS ST/OT	HELI FED	HELI ST/OT	AIRT FED	AIRT ST/OT	OVRHD FED	OVRHD ST/OT
Alaska	45	14	4	32	10	11			446	238
Northwest	20	7	9	22	19	1			237	97
Northern California	9	9	6	18	3					14
Southern California	2				1					
Northern Rockies	1		2	1					8	
Eastern Great Basin			5		2				20	2
Western Great Basin	8	3	3		3				55	
Southwest	42		14	57	9	8			365	169
Rocky Mountain	5	1	11	6		4			58	23
Eastern Area										
Southern Area										
Total	132	34	54	136	47	24	0	0	1189	543

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